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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

As a Preliminary Amendment to the above-referenced Application, please enter the following amendments prior to computing the filing fees therefore.

**IN THE CLAIMS :**

**Please cancel claims 1-6 that are presented in the Annexes to the Preliminary Examination Report and insert in lieu thereof the following claims 7-12:**

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